

**DECLARATION (37 CFR 1.63) FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN APPLICATION USING AN
APPLICATION DATA SHEET (37 CFR 1.76)**

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**Title of
Invention**

DRY TREE SUBSEA WELL COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS
AND METHOD USING VARIABLE TENSION LARGE OFFSET
RISERS

As the below named inventors, we declare that:

This declaration is directed to the invention titled: " DRY TREE SUBSEA WELL
COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS AND METHOD USING VARIABLE TENSION LARGE
OFFSET RISERS"

We believe that we are the original and first inventors of the subject matter which is claimed
and for which a patent is sought;

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including
the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

We acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all
information known to us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for
continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the
filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of the
continuation-in-part application.

All statements made herein of own knowledge are true, all statements made herein on
information and belief are believed to be true, and further that these statements were made
with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or
imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and may jeopardize the validity of the
application or any patent issuing thereon.

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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY
(ORIGINAL APPLICATION)

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

DRY TREE SUBSEA WELL COMMUNICATIONS APPARATUS AND METHOD USING VARIABLE TENSION LARGE OFFSET RISERS

the specification of which: (check one)

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on _____ as Serial No. _____.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s):

			<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
_____ (Number)	_____ (Country)	_____ (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

(Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status-patented, pending, abandoned)

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POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (List name and registration number)

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